

"THE TRI-STATE WEEKLY"

The Northfield Press

LET'S GO
on the
CLEAN UP, PAINT
UP, FIX UP
Campaign!

BY END OF
April
OUR TOWN WILL
BE ALL
Afloat!

Ashuelot - Athol - Bernardston - Brattleboro - Colrain - Deerfield - Gill - Greenfield - Hinsdale - Leyden - Millers Falls - Montague - Montague City - Mt. Hermon - Northfield - Orange - South Vernon - Sunderland - Turners Falls - Vernon - Warwick - Winchester

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HAVEN H. SPENCER POST AGAIN GOES "OVER THE TOP"

**Legionnaires Are Doing The
Survey And Will Complete
The Check On Clean Up
Campaign For Northfield**

Competition Ends In April

Among other important business transacted at the meeting of Haven Spencer Post of the American Legion, last Friday evening, was the acceptance of the task of preliminary and final check-up in the Clean-up, Paint-up, Fix-up campaign. Committees and sub-committees volunteered and their appointment was duly confirmed by vote. We cannot help remarking in passing upon the wonderful spirit evinced by all present, when the matter was explained to them, and the eagerness shown to take up this important matter in the welfare of the community. In these piping times of peace the Legion Posts all over the country are rendering unselfish service to their communities and Northfield is no exception to the rule. Although the results of their labors, as shown in the preliminary check-up given below, does not occupy a great deal of space; it should be realized that it represents the work of some sixteen good men and true, for several hours on several days. It is a splendid piece of work, well done, and the community should appreciate it. At the end of the month the same committees of the Legion will go over the same territory and from this final survey we expect to be able to tell our readers just how much gain for the better was made by each street in Northfield and, also, just which of the four sections of our town, Northfield, East Northfield, West Northfield and Northfield Farms, shows up as the most progressive in its percentage of spring improvement.

Reports from the Front

Absolutely complete survey reports from the various members of the Legion who have apportioned out the territories among themselves are not available, as we go to press, but the actual work has all been done and it is now merely a question of collation and arrangement of the mass into a systematic arrangement. Herewith is a little synopsis of the reports:

Town of Northfield

EAST NORTHFIELD

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| Section 1 | |
| Class A | 0 |
| Class B | 32 |
| Class C | 12 |
| Section 2 | |
| Class A | 0 |
| Class B | 17 |
| Class C | 16 |
| Section 3 | |
| Class A | 1 |
| Class B | 2 |
| Class C | 22 |
| Section 4 | |
| Class A | 5 |
| Class B | 39 |
| Class C | 1 |

NORTHFIELD

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| Warwick Avenue | |
| Class A | 0 |
| Class B | 23 |
| Class C | 3 |
| East Street | |
| Class A | 0 |
| Class B | 5 |
| Class C | 3 |
| School Street | |
| Class A | 0 |
| Class B | 6 |
| Class C | 1 |
| Meadow Street | |
| Class A | 0 |
| Class B | 0 |
| Class C | 1 |
| Parker Street | |
| Class A | 0 |
| Class B | 6 |
| Class C | 3 |
| Main Street | |
| Class A | 4 |
| Class B | 55 |
| Class C | 1 |
| Maple Street | |
| Class A | 1 |
| Class B | 0 |
| Class C | 5 |
| Class D | 0 |
| Class E | 0 |

HOW TO FIGURE AUTO EXCISE TAX

The first tax to be assessed covers the calendar year 1929 and will be at the rate of \$29.85 per \$1000 based on values not to exceed the following:
Year of Manufacture—90% of manufacturers' list price.
Second year—60% per cent of manufacturers' list price.
Third year—40% of manufacturers' list price.
Fourth year—25% of manufacturers' list price.
Fifth and succeeding year—10% of manufacturers' list price.

TROUT FISHING STARTS HERE ON MONDAY, APRIL 15TH

Director William C. Adams of the State Fish and Game Division has called the attention of the public to the fact that the season for trout fishing will open in this state on Monday April 15. No brook trout less than six inches in length may be lawfully taken and no brown, Loch Leven or rainbow trout can be taken under eight inches in length. Fisherman taking trout less than eight inches should make sure that they are not taking brown, Loch Leven or rainbow trout. Only 25 trout are allowed to one person in one day. If two or more persons are fishing from the same boat or raft only 30 trout may be taken in the aggregate. Night fishing is prohibited from two hours after sunset to one hour before sunrise. The sale of wild trout is positively prohibited. The open season for trout fishing will close on July 31. Attention is also called to the fact that all persons over 18 years of age, both men and women, must have a sporting license for stocked brooks and this license may be obtained from any town or city clerk. Detailed copies of the fish and game laws may be obtained from the local town or city clerks or from the office of the Fish and Game Division at the State House and their provisions should be carefully noted. There are special restrictions on the Deerfield River. No trout under 12 inches in length may be taken and only 5 trout per day to each person. Fish may be taken only with a single rod and line which is to be held in the hand. The fishing season is now closed on such species of pond fish as pickerel, black bass, horned pout, white perch and pike perch.

Fully a hundred couples attended the dance in the town hall on Monday evening held under the auspices of the Community Social club and directed by Galen Stearns. Goodnow's orchestra of Orange furnished music.

WEST NORTHFIELD

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| Class A | 1 |
| Class B | 20 |
| Class C | 38 |

NORTHFIELD FARMS

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|---------|----|
| Class A | 1 |
| Class B | 26 |
| Class C | 47 |

MOUNTAIN

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| Class A | 1 |
| Class B | 8 |
| Class C | 13 |

At the finish of the campaign (the end of April) the same members of the Legion will go over the same territory and check up on the improvement shown since their first survey and from these figures we will be able to see just what streets, sections, or other subdivisions have made the highest percentage of advance.

BOY AND GIRL SCOUTS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN IN THE GAME

Individual members of both Boy and Girl Scouts have expressed their willingness to aid in this Clean Up Campaign (as their organizations do and have done in other places) but, in the first place, their leaders must take the initiative. Merely as a suggestion we would remark that the cleaning up for sick or aged house owners or the grounds and front of closed houses or the sidewalks in front of lots belonging to absent owners, etc., is a kind of most important and acclimate work that has been done by the Scouts in other places with great success and much appreciation. We shall be glad to publish anything that the Scout leaders may desire or to assist them in the work in any way possible, if they so desire.

GEORGE N. KIDDER IN NEW QUARTERS

Plans to Have Opening About June 1st but Invites All to Visit Him Anytime Now

George N. Kidder has moved his business the past week from the Webster block to buildings north of his house which have been especially prepared for his various lines of work. Driveways and sidewalks from Main street and Parker avenue give access to his new store property. There are two large floors and a large basement, giving floor space of over 7000 feet which is more than he had in his former place of business. His new store property is so arranged that it is less expensive to operate and better arranged and the rooms are also pleasant. He has furniture and hardware departments, a repair shop, also undertaking rooms with parlors which will seat over 100 people. This department is the best equipped of any town in the vicinity compared with its population. Mr. Kidder is stocking up with new goods and plans to have an opening about June 1st, but he invites all to visit his new quarters and see for themselves that he is ready to meet the demands in his line. Mr. Kidder completes 30 years of business in Northfield this coming fall and he surely has given Northfield citizens good service.

OUR LOCAL WEATHER SHARP FORECASTS

And here is our local weather sharp once again with these prognostications for the period up to June 20th, when the sun makes the next zodiacal change. Our L. W. S. says: "This is going to be the spring for which the farmer has been looking for a number of years past, although it is not going to be as early as some springs we had quite a few years ago. The winds will be southerly changing to west and north-west. The fall of water will be normal. The rains will start in south and the wind will be apt to veer to the westward after the showers are over. As a whole we will have fairly warm weather to June 20th. In the way of crops this should be a good season for onions although likely even better next year. Lots of people lay our bad seasons in onions to all kinds of things, but the weather has had most to do with it after all."

P. T. ASSOCIATION HAVE GOOD PROGRAM

Business and pleasure were happily mingled at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher association on Monday evening at Alexander Memorial hall. Mrs. M. E. Vance presided and welcomed the guests. Miss Elizabeth Bradley is vice-president and Mrs. Harry James, secretary while L. R. Alexander is treasurer. Mrs. Birdsall resigned as secretary.

The traveling food sale which the association conducted in January and February brought to the treasury over \$70. The society voted to give each grade school \$3 and the high school \$5 to be used for some accessory in each school as teacher and pupils may desire.

The entertainment provided was thoroughly enjoyed. Miss Eva Freeman of the seminary read two humorous stories, Christopher Morley's "The Thrush" and "My Financial Experiences" by Stephen Leacock. A brief sketch which appeared in the January Harper's Magazine, portraying a Parent-Teacher meeting was enacted by Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Forsaith, Mrs. Birdsall, Miss Freeman and Miss Sheldon.

During the social hour, cake and ice cream were served. A large birthday cake made by two of the parents, with one large candle, showed the association was one year old. This was cut into 50 pieces and each person pronounced it delicious.

Plans for the Mother and Daughter banquet to be held early in May in the town hall were discussed. The officers elected will appoint the usual committees. The Parent-Teacher association has had a prosperous and enjoyable first year and the future looks propitious.

Rev. F. W. Pattison conducted a Good Friday service at Montague City last Friday evening at 7:15 and one at Mt. Hermon chapel at 8:15 the same evening.

SON—"The car has been stolen."
DAD—"Never mind; he won't get far. I've got the tools in the cellar."
But Dad forgot he had just filled the car with Socony Special Gasoline.
THE MORGAN GARAGE, Advt.

"THE OTHER SIDE OF MAIN STREET"

Author Presents Copy of Book to Library and Makes Interesting Statement to Northfieldians

Wilder Buell, of Northfield Mountain, has presented a copy of "The Other Side of Main Street" to the Dickenson Memorial library. This book, just published by Longmans Green & Co., of New York and London, is presented to the library and the town by the author as a token of affection and esteem. It is a comedy of life in a small town and gives a sympathetic and amusing picture of New England. The New York Times, in reviewing this book, says "One has the feeling that the gossip of a lifetime has been gathered here by a kindly New Englander whose neighbors will have no difficulty in recognizing all the portraits in this native gallery." In reply to this criticism and other comments of the kind, the author says:

"There is no photographic and exact description of any individual in Northfield, or elsewhere, in 'The Other Side of Main Street.' Anecdotes, tricks of speech, local customs and the various characteristics of many people have been taken here and there and put together again to make the fictional characters of the book. Pudding Center is a factory town and not a school town like Northfield. Pudding Center is described as something like that of Millers Falls. It has the geography of Hinsdale. And some of the people live right here, according to those who have read the book. The Commander of the local Legion Post, for instance, claims that he has been slandered in the character of Pepperfield. I have informed him that if he can find it he can put it on. For one thing, Pepperfield chews tobacco and it has never come to my attention that the Commander does. He only chews his words. But then there may be other actions of the Commander that have never come to my attention. Pepperfield is not a picture of this particular gentleman, any more than other portraits that may be 'recognized,' although he has more cause for complaints than anyone else. He is reported to have said that if he can locate any other victims of satire in this vicinity he will organize a demonstration against the author. Whether this will take the form of a parade, a protest meeting or a tar and feather party was not disclosed. If anyone, therefore, feels that he or she has been 'written up' in this book let them consider the difficulties of an artist who is trying to make people seem alive without describing actual people. Whistler once said that no painting of an apple tree was any good if it was an exact drawing of any one apple tree. But that a good painting of an apple tree must be more like an apple tree than any actual apple that ever grew."

LEGION POST NEEDS CABINETS FOR ROOM

The Haven H. Spencer Post of the American Legion desires the fact to be made known that it would be glad to receive the gift of even one of cabinets for the preservation of relics and books, to be placed in the Legion room in the Town hall. Also, the loan or free storage of a piano, victrola or any suitable article of furniture to help make the room attractive, would be appreciated. If any reader of this desires to help along this line, they are invited to communicate with the publisher of The Northfield Press, who will be glad to take up the matter with them.

EXPECT HIGHER WATER AT THE VERNON DAM

In order to install temporary flashboards at the Vernon dam, to replace those carried away by the recent run of ice, the Connecticut river is being lowered over the week-end by the Connecticut River Power Co. The reason for installing only temporary flashboards at this time is that the flowage has decreased rather prematurely this season and it is fully expected that there will be another run of high water, after which the permanent flashboards will be erected. To provide the flashboards, four feet high on the dam, which is 600 feet long, requires 3,000 board feet of one and one-fourth inch stock.

G. O. DUNNELL & SON GET CEMENT CONTRACT

The contract for cement for the road construction on the Northfield-Millers Falls highway has been awarded to G. O. Dunnell & Son, Northfield.

"FOR THE LOVE OF JOHNNIE"

Jack Mann Promises a Good Show and the Cast Reads Like the Same

This evening at 8 p. m. the Northfield Athletic association presents the 3 act comedy drama "For the Love of Johnnie" with Jack Mann and his Hinsdale players, at the Town hall, Northfield. Jack Mann promises that this will be a delight for everybody and that he is not afraid to recommend it for any audience, anywhere. It has been given successfully in Hinsdale on two different occasions. The cast will include: Elizabeth Weeks, Elsie Fuller, Ruth Glines, George N. Ruben, John E. Mann, Ray Hildreth, Richard L. Howe, Paul H. Mann and Edmund Mulcahy. Miss Dorothy White will be the pianist. After the play there will be dancing until 1:00 a. m. with music by Lewis Wood and his orchestra.

MEETING TO CONSIDER MEMORIAL DAY PLANS

A meeting will be held in Alexander Memorial hall Friday 12, at 7:30 p. m., to talk over Memorial Day plans. Representatives from the following Orders have been asked to be present. Sons of Union Veteran, Woman Relief Corp, Spanish War Veterans, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Boys Brigade, Boys Scouts, Girl Scouts, also school teachers. It is hoped all will attend.

Young People's Society

The Young People's society will have charge of the Sunday evening service at the Congregational church on April 7. They have been able to secure as their speaker Mr. Vernon Taylor of the senior class at Mt. Hermon. Mr. Taylor has spoken before here, and has proved to be a very influential carrier of the Gospel. Everyone is urged to attend.

On April 1st, the Young People held their monthly social at the church. The C. E. society from Bernardston were their guests for the evening.

C. E. TO GREENFIELD EASTER SERVICE

On Easter Sunday morning, ten members of the Northfield Christian Endeavor society went to Greenfield to attend the annual Easter Sunrise service held at the Second Congregational church at 7:30 a. m. There were approximately 125 present from various societies all over Franklin County. The speaker was the Rev. Houghton Page, minister of the All Soul's church of Greenfield.

O. E. S. Card Party

A public card party will be given on Wednesday evening April 10th at Masonic hall by Northfield Chapter O. E. S. There will be tables for bridge and tables for Monte Carlo Whist and everyone is promised a good time. A charge of 25 cents will be made.

Legion Auxiliary Meets

The American Legion Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 2nd in the Town hall. Among much other business the charter was placed on the wall alongside of the charter of the Haven H. Spencer Post. It is hoped that this Legion room will soon take on its properly attractive appearance and so be credit to the town and a comfortable meeting place not only for the Legion and Auxiliary, but also for other local organizations requiring such a room.

Sunday School Teachers

Next Monday evening the regular monthly council of Sunday school teachers and officers will be held at the North church vestry for supper and business, beginning at 6 o'clock. At 7:30 an address will be given by Miss Harriet Higgins of Springfield. Miss Higgins is supervisor in the public schools. Her address will have to do with teaching, story-telling, and efficiency in other ways. A cordial invitation is hereby extended to all teachers and any others in town who would like to hear Miss Higgins, to attend this session.

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N. E. QUALITY PRODUCTS LABEL FOR FARM USE GAINS STEADILY

Not Be Long Now Before Sufficient Use Will Warrant General Advertising and Publicity Campaign

An attractive booklet telling of the New England quality products label for farm produce will soon be issued according to an announcement made by L. A. Bevan, director of the division of markets, state department of agriculture. The booklet will be issued by the New England association of state marketing officials of which Mr. Bevan is chairman. The arrangements for the booklet were made at a recent meeting of these marketing officials. Its aim will be to acquaint the farmers who grow high quality products with the advantages of selling under the label with its guarantee of quality and New England origin.

The label is already in use on eggs, maple sugar, potatoes, asparagus and certain vegetables that are sold by the bunch. It is also in use on baby chicks. The use of the label is steadily increasing but the marketing officials wish to see a much greater increase in the amount of product offered under the label before any plan for pushing the sale of the goods is developed. They see the futility of creating an active demand for these farm products sold under the label until an abundant supply of the quality goods is assured. It is hoped that through this booklet, along with other ways in which the use of the label is being fostered, a much larger supply of products of sufficient high quality to be sold under the New England label will develop.

Under the plan through which the New England quality products label idea was developed by the New England council, the departments of agriculture in each state were to be given authority by state legislation in their respective states, to set up rules and regulations as to the quality of the product which was to be offered for sale by those who desired to use the label. All the states passed such legislation and the rules and regulations which have been drawn up under them are practically uniform in the various states in New England. This means that the New England quality products label will have the same assurance of actual freshness and high standard of excellence wherever it is shown.

L. A. Cooley, marketing specialist for the Vermont state, reported that maple sugar or syrup was being sent out under the label to practically every state in the union. He is chairman of the committee which is getting out the booklet.

Evening Auxiliary

The program for the March 29th meeting of the Evening Auxiliary was conducted by Miss Blanch Corser. The chapter from the Study Book was briefly reviewed by Mrs. Ross Spencer, after which Miss Corser told of the Indian problem, which is now before the Government. Extracts from articles recently published in Good Housekeeping were read and discussed. All who were not familiar with this problem were asked to read these articles and to write to the Government for more papers which have been prepared following recent investigations.

ALL REGRET TO LOSE THE PHILBRICKS

Mrs. R. H. Philbrick was in town last week Wednesday to close the deal of the sale of the Philbrick property on Main street in East Northfield to Ross Spencer of Spencer's Garage.

Mr. Spencer moved his family to the Philbrick place on Monday of this week. The house they vacated will be converted by Mr. Spencer into a sales-room and office.

Dr. and Mrs. Philbrick, with their son, Junior, have been living in Gloucester for over two years. Dr. Philbrick has recently opened offices there for the practice of medicine.

Many deeply regret the removal of the Philbrick family from our town. Dr. Philbrick had a good practice here and has taken a real interest in his institutions. Mrs. Philbrick has been generous with her musical talent and both will be missed.

Mrs. Mary A. Field has been on a visit to her son in Springfield for her Easter vacation from Kenhome.

Father Sage Says:
Every time a man adds another dollar to his collection he lays up a little more trouble for himself.

Northfield

Mrs. William Hoehn is at Melrose hospital for treatment.

Miss Fannie Hatch attends the executive session of the Alumnae association of Northfield Seminary in Boston on Friday evening of this week at the home of Miss Daisy B. Treen, vice-president and alumnae trustee.

Ambert G. Moody, through Mr. Keith has acquired a copy of the diary which Charles Preston kept while on his official mission for the United States government in Russia during the World War. Mr. Moody will deposit this with the Historical society. It is of great interest and more so as it comes from a Northfield boy whose life was sacrificed in this work.

Miss Isobel Sutherland spent the Easter vacation from her teaching in the high school of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sutherland.

Mrs. Sinclair Sutherland is home from Corey Hill hospital in Spokane where she has been under Dr. Goldthwaite's treatment. She continues the treatments here and is improving. Northfield Fire department, with Galen Stearns as tip chief, have recently placed a hand chemical tank at the place of Charles Tenney at Northfield Farms for emergency use in that section. The fire truck and all equipment are now in the newly renovated fire house and the department feels it is well established for fighting fires which we all hope may not be necessary.

Mrs. H. H. Atkinson and daughter, Miss Harriet, left last Friday for Princeton, N. J., to visit her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Atkinson. Mr. Atkinson is a student at Princeton Theological Seminary.

Mrs. N. Fay Smith, who has been living at Mrs. H. H. Atkinson's since January, returned to her home on the Birnam road on Friday and will continue her work as church visitor until June 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Frary returned last week Wednesday evening from their cruise in the West Indies. They spent two days in their former home at Westfield, N. J., after landing at New York port.

Miss Blanche Walker of Providence, R. I., has been spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Walker. Mrs. Walker returned with her the first of the week for a two weeks' visit.

J. Theodore Caldwell, a student of Hillhouse high school of New Haven, who lives with his sister, Mrs. G. T. Bailey, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. F. B. Caldwell for several days.

The March business session and social of the Berean Sunday school class met with Mrs. W. H. Walte last Wednesday. There were 15 present.

Miss Barbara Williams, a student of the Culver Smith Kindergarten school at Hartford, Conn., has been spending the spring recess with her parents, Mr.

New Harrow-Drill Hook-Up Plants 150 Acres a Day



This photograph from Waha Prairie, Idaho, shows the new narrow-drill hook-up as practiced by F. W. Schwanitz. With the caterpillar pulling five grain drills for a 55-foot sweep, he covers 150 acres in a ten-hour day. Only two men—one on the tractor and one on the drills—are needed to operate this labor and money-saving hook-up.

and Mrs. C. E. Williams.

Mrs. J. E. Nye is recovering from a several weeks' illness.

The W. C. T. U. through Mrs. C. P. Buffum and Mrs. M. E. Vorce, shipped last week to the Boston Flower Mission 140 dozen fresh eggs which had been given by Northfield citizens. They were distributed to the needy of Boston for Easter season. Last year 200 dozen were contributed.

Miss Vera Wright returned on Monday to M. A. C. at Amherst after the vacation with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright.

Chandler Holton came from Amherst college last Friday for the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Holton.

Miss Isabella Thompson is spending a month with her sister, Mrs. Davis in Cincinnati.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell on Wednesday, March 20—at their home on Holton street.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chamberlain and child moved the first of the week from the W. D. Alexander house to an apartment in Mrs. Ellen Stebbins' house on Birnam road.

Miss Barbara Adams of Wilmington, Vt., has been Miss June Wright's guest for a week.

Miss Muriel Kendrick, a senior and Miss Marion Kendrick, a freshman at Connecticut college, came Friday for the spring recess with their mother, Mrs. J. F. Kendrick.

Miss Jean Rodgers returned on Monday to Mount Holyoke college where she teaches, after the vacation with her mother, Mrs. Grace Rodgers.

Among the pleasing features of the Easter morning service at the Unitarian church were violin solos by Edward de Champlon of New York city and Paris. He also accompanied the organ for the musical numbers and for an Easter song rendered by Miss Marion Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Kidder spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Clark in Keene, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward de Champlon and son of New York have been guests of Mrs. C. H. Webster. Her daughters visited the de Champlons in Paris last summer. Miss Bernice Webster spent the Easter vacation from her teaching of art in the Wadleigh high school of New York city with her mother, Mrs. C. H. Webster.

ALASKA WAS TOPIC AT WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION MEETING

Alaska was presented at the meeting of the Women's Missionary Union at the Congregational church on Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. C. F. Taber, who was supervisor of a school in Sitka, Alaska, several years under the Presbyterian Board.

Her story of mission work of the life and industries of the people was most interesting and she had some articles of handwork and pictures to exhibit. It was in Sitka, Alaska, where Prof. Taber went to make her his bride.

Miss Virginia Smith read an article on Alaska missions and Mrs. F. H. Doolittle who presided and led devotions gave a geographical sketch of Alaska. The following nominating committee will report at the next meeting: Mrs. L. H. Lazelle, Mrs. A. M. Wright, Mrs. L. R. Smith. There were 20 present.

The longest bridge in the world is 3500 feet long and is between Ft. Washington and Fort Lee.

DIPPING INTO SCIENCE

The Blue Sky

Instead of the sky being blue it is really the air that is blue and the color we see is reflected from only a few miles away. The blue in the sky is only the reflection of the blue rays from the sun. The nearer the equator, the bluer the sky because the sun at that latitude is relatively brighter.

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Chinese Foods In Cans

It used to be that only dwellers in cities with a Chinese population could enjoy Chinese food. But today anyone can explore the strangely delicious food which the Chinese have perfected during their thousands of years of civilization.

Bamboo shoots, water chestnuts, chow mein noodles, bean sprouts can all be bought in cans. And, with a bottle of soy sauce and such other foods as are present in any market, real Chinese foods can be made anywhere.

How to Make Them

Here is the most approved method for making pork chop suey. Cut one-half pound lean pork in narrow strips and add to two tablespoons cooking oil and two tablespoons soy sauce, and sauté gently for fifteen minutes in a skillet. Cut two cups celery in narrow strips and one cup onions in thin slices.

Remove the bean sprouts from a can of Sub Kum and set aside to add at the last. Remove the bamboo shoots and water chestnuts from this can and cut in thin slices, then in narrow strips. Add celery, onions, bamboo shoots, water chestnuts and a small piece of ginger root to the skillet together with the juice from the can and two cups soup stock. Cover and cook until celery and onions are tender. Add one tablespoon flour moistened with a little water, cook until slightly thickened, add one tablespoon brown sauce and more soy sauce, if desired. Add the bean sprouts and heat a few minutes. Serve with hot rice. Any other meat can be used instead of pork.

To convert this recipe into chow mein, open a can of chow mein noodles onto a pie pan and put it in the oven to crisp. Arrange the noodles on plates, place the chop suey over and—there is chow mein!



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AMERICAN WOMEN SUFFER FROM "SLOW SMOTHERING"

"Women in American homes are discriminated against in the healthfulness and comfort of the air they have to breathe, as compared with their children," declares the Holland Institute of Thermology of Holland, Mich. "The housekeeper in the average dwelling is subjected to a process of slow smothering comparable to slow starvation, and the result is infinite suffering from headache, strained nerves, lack of 'pep' and general lassitude."

Supporting their contention that most women are "lung-starved," the air-conditioning engineers of the Institute point out that the average adult takes into his or her system about four pounds of food and the same amount of water, but 27 pounds of air, daily. There's nothing about the respiratory system as compared with the digestive tract, the engineers point out, which makes good air less vital to health and comfort than good food and water.

"Many state laws require that 30 cubic feet of air per minute per pupil be supplied in schools, and present-day ventilating standards dictate the same air-supply for theaters, hotels and even many factories. To meet these standards, ventilating systems are installed which completely change the air in each part of the building from 5 to 30 times an hour.

"But in the average home the only supply of fresh air comes from leakage around doors and windows. The small house can't be expected to install expensive ventilating equipment. Yet it is possible, without this expense, to improve the quality of air in the home beyond comparison with its usual condition."

Tests conducted at the engineering experiment station of the University of Illinois have shown, the thermologists point out, that the modern warm

air heating system changes the air in each room of the house from one to one and a half times an hour.

The latest development of this type of equipment is "super-circulation," by which the air is moved by a mechanical propeller instead of gravity. This results, according to tests conducted by the Holland engineers in co-operation with the University of Michigan, in a complete change of air from four to six times an hour.

"Suppose the housewife is confined to her kitchen, which is 10 by 10 feet in dimension with an eight-foot ceiling. The super-circulating system, if it works at an average of five air-changes an hour, supplies 4,000 cubic feet of re-circulated freshened air during that time. This is more than twice the 1,800 cubic feet required to give her the same amount that the law assures her children in school."

Re-circulation is a recognized principle in the ventilation of theaters, schools and auditoriums. It works just like circulation in the body, blood being pumped to the lungs and there purified by oxidation before being distributed to the rest of the body. Just so, air in the living rooms of a home heated by the super-circulating system is drawn through cold air returns to the furnace, where it is purified by the intense heat inside the casing, and then is re-circulated through the home.

The reason why air-motion is so important to health, comfort and the beauty of the skin is that the normal body heat is 98.6 degrees. When more heat than that is generated, it must be passed off to the air. If the air is moving, it carries away the excess body heat quickly enough to keep the person from developing a fever or feeling "dopey" and oppressed. Also, it evaporates the body moisture so rapidly as to prevent the perspiration which is one sign of excessive body heat.



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